

Traditional rotten egg gas antidote no good

Hydrogen sulphide, the gas with the stinking odor of rotten eggs, is as deadly as hydrogen cyanide and far more common. Now, a team of chemists from St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia suggest that the antidote commonly given to hydrogen sulphide victims may be not only ineffective but also harmful.

Though not advocating any particular therapy, the researchers suggest that artificial respiration with oxygen-enriched air would be a suitable antidote. Hydrogen sulphide was traditionally treated by the administration of nitrites to absorb the lethal compound. But the St. Francis Xavier researchers, headed by John Daniel and John Boyd, have found that hydrogen sulphide

is removed more effectively by reacting with the oxygen carried in red blood cells. Nitrites, which combine with the oxygen, could hasten the blood's removal of hydrogen sulphide from the body.

The researchers have been studying how hydrogen sulphide poisoning works. Though it is a common occupational hazard, its action on the body is not well understood. A report by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare in the United States lists 72 occupations with potential exposure to the gas and says that hydrogen sulphide is a leading cause of sudden death in the work place. Hydrogen sulphide is used in various industries such as tanning, brewing, glass making and rubber

manufacturing. But in Canada, poisoning is a problem for refinery workers as these most commonly exposed, particularly those engaged in top-draw work and resulting gas or oil to petroleum plants.

The most incident they about hydrogen sulphide poisoning is that the sense of smell is paralyzed as the levels of hydrogen sulphide increase in the air. In fact the olfactory sense can disappear when the potential victim is in the most danger. The physiological effects of hydrogen sulphide range from fainting, loss of the syn-

chronic cardiac problems, to the infamous "knock-down" effect. In this life-threatening situation, where hydrogen sulphide levels reach about 1,000 parts per million in air, a worker would take one breath and be unconscious before hitting the ground. If he survived, he would not remember. A thing about the knock-down reaction is that the St. Francis Xavier researchers to suggest that hydrogen sulphide poisoning

number often nerve functioning. Having studied the effects of hydrogen sulphide on isolated nerve bundles from frogs, the chemists find that hydrogen sulphide interferes with the ability of the nerve cell to transmit its message, perhaps by blocking to the nerve cell membrane and causing structural changes.

Their research into the mechanism of action of hydrogen sulphide is continuing.

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Three cubs find new home at Edmonton's Valley Zoo

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By Phil Courtin

This is the story of the three bears. There aren't the bears from the children's fairy tale, but their story has a happy ending. The story began more than 10 days ago at a logging site some 11 km from Lodgepole where three motherless black bear cubs were taken in by crew members at the Stonehouse Logging camp.

The story ended Friday at the Valley Zoo in Edmonton where the cubs were placed following a series of negotiations involving Alberta Forest Service, Alberta Park and Wildlife, a wildlife farm north of Edmonton and the zoo itself.

In this story the cubs were left motherless after logging work had collapsed the bear den. The tracks could be seen leaving the area, but not returning. The cubs were found by the two and one-half month-old cubs for five days before concluding the new wasn't going to return.

They brought the bears to the Alberta Forestry office in Lodgepole March 21. Forestry officials then contacted the Drayton Valley Fish and Wildlife office and turned the cubs over to officer Don Ostrychuk some six hours later.

Since it was past office hours he was unable to contact the wildlife farm at Bon Accord, which is the usual stopover for wildlife in such cases. Given the situation he kept the cubs at his home overnight.

The following morning he informed the wildlife farm and a few hours later the bears changed hands again.

But this time the exchange was between Don Accord and Valley Zoo over the telephone and resulted in the story's happy ending. According to Valley Zoo's Dell Hansen, who picked the cubs up early Friday afternoon, the children's story was facing a possible dilemma before the bears were offered from Bon Accord.

For the first time in a long time, he said, "we saw little black bears in the zoo for the zoo's opening May 5."

The cubs are now placed in the renovated bear den at the zoo. Hansen said the den was upgraded two years ago, making it more of a natural habitat, and more appealing to the bears and the viewing public.

Eventually, the bears may travel once more, this time to some far off country where they are considered exotic.

"We only handle the bears up to a certain size," Hansen explained, "then sometimes they're sold to Korea or Japan. They can't get enough of them."



Fish and Wildlife officer Don Ostrychuk holds up the black bear cubs shipped to Valley Zoo Friday. (photo by Phil Courtin)

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Town still needs \$280,000

Pool fund at minimum level

By Phil Courtin

The town now has enough funds to build its indoor pool but still needs another \$280,000 to complete the facility with amenities intact.

"Financially, we're now in the position to build a basic pool," recreation director Dennis Woolsey told the recreation board Wednesday, adding further funds would go toward items such as slings and the whirlpool.

In terms of funds, the town has collected or has had promised \$1.47 million while it needs \$1.75 million to build the pool as planned.

"We have enough money now to match all the MCR (Major Cultural Recreation) grants available to us, which is basically \$100,000," Woolsey said. "Additional money would go toward slings, the whirlpool, slotters, slotters," he said.

"Technically, we're at the point where the

whirlpool is almost a certainty. Another \$30,000 to \$40,000 would guarantee it."

While the town has been actively making donations for a short while, responses have been positive.

"It's going well," Woolsey said, "but it's still early. Not in the same it would be able to be done, but in that it's been little more than a month of concentrated effort."

"People are starting to realize the project is going. Tenders will be coming in April 5 and we can actually see the project is going to materialize and now is the time they're going to give if they're going to give at all."

To date, we've only had 20 donations. It's very little in terms of number of donors so we've still got a long way to go," he added.

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New location Bargain seekers' shop opens

By Frankie Thorndell
It may not seem possible today to buy a pair of pants for \$2, a pair of shoes for 50 cents or a pair of socks for a dime but these are typical prices at the Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop.

Even at those prices the store has made money in the 4 1/2 years since it opened to almost completely pay for its new \$65,000 building, as well as turn over \$23,000 to the hospital in 1990 alone.

The staff opened the doors of the new store March 21 to near record crowds of bargain seekers.

"Everything is so much better here," said Eva Wapohit, a long-time auxiliary member. "We're as happy with it." The new space, about 2,600 square feet, is much more usable than the old which was divided up into small rooms, a clothes rack over from its days as a nurses' residence.

Wapohit is also pleased with the new and number of windows. "It's much brighter and airier—we can open the windows," she said.

The store doesn't limit its merchandise to clothing. It sells "pretty well whatever's donated," Wapohit said and that includes toys, games, books, children's furniture, dishes, and other household goods.

Nothing is wasted. Items that are too far gone for sale are directed to the business and support. Cotton clothing which can't be salvaged becomes



Two-month-old Ted Tucker sits on Aunt Marlene Oshayuk's lap for a bargain at the new Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop. (photo by Frankie Thorndell)

ragas which are sold at \$1 per pound to garbage, paint shops and oil companies.

The new building also boasts a full basement which will be used mainly for storage for out-of-season and overstocked clothing. In the past everything was stuffed into boxes, which not only made it difficult to know exactly what stock was on hand but also created a wrinkle problem. The auxiliary plans to finish one area of the basement to use as a meeting room.

Updates there is a large kitchen, complete with washer, dryer and ironing board, staff and public bedrooms and storage room.

No one gets paid for their work at the shop. Wapohit said there are about 34 volunteers who work "off and on." The shop's hours are Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m., though she would like to see them extended to include Tuesday and Thursday as well. "If we had more volunteers..."

Soap box derby grabs interest

By Jack Morrison
A soap box derby, planned by the County of Parkland, is taking off and travelling at an unprecedented speed.

Since the project was started last November by Constable Dale Watt of the Stony Plain detachment, the estimation of the number of participants has escalated from 80 to a possible 300.

"I am pretty excited," said Watt, adding both local and business people have "grabbed hold" of the project.

One of the reasons why the project was initiated was to increase police relations with the county police and the public. Watt explained.

"The reason why I like this is we can get the parents involved with their kids and the police."

To date a total of 88 of the soap box derby cart kits have been sold, he said.

The cost of a soap box derby cart kit is \$35 and can be purchased at the Bumper to Bumper stores in both Stony Plain and Drayton Valley.

The kit includes everything except a sheet of four by four plywood. It includes blueprints, wheels, axles and a steering linkage column, he continued.

The sheet of plywood is needed for the floor and body, although anything can be used as long as it does not fall apart, he said.

Weir estimated a person could put the cart together in a matter of a month only working on it for an hour "here or there."

The cart put together by the Stony Plain detachment, including drive and flashing light, took only a couple of days to assemble, he said.

The police cart will be put in all of the county's 28 schools for a two-day period as well as displayed in local malls.

Travelling 253 metres (800 feet) down a hill near Stony Plain, carts could reach speeds of up to 48 kilometres per hour.

The starting flag for the races will wave at 9 a.m. June 18, 4 miles north of Highway 16 on the 6th meridian.

Three classes for entrants have been set up. The 100 class is for children six to nine years old, the 400 class is for 10 to 12-year-olds and the 700 class is for 13 years and up.

Weir added there is no age restriction for participants.

In addition to the three classes a business and media event has been organized, he said.

Weir recommended interested people register and pay their \$5 registration fee as soon as possible.

All of the profits from the soap box derby will go to charity, he said.

Beware of 'abandoned' babies

If the three bear cubs turned in Thursday are any indication, it could be an early and long spring for Fish and Wildlife officer Don Ostrychuck said.

This season has started really early. I've never had cubs brought in this early before," Ostrychuck said.

"I hope it isn't a sign of things to come."

Usually, the local Fish and Wildlife office sees two to three animals thought to be motherless or homeless and brought in by concerned parties, whether the situation warrants it or not.

Part of the problem, Ostrychuck explains, is people may see a newborn animal lying in the grass and the mother not around, although she may be off feeding.

While the lawn or golf or cub may not be dangerous to a defending bear offspring, he warned.

Just because they can't see the mother some people assume the animal has been abandoned and they take it and turn it over to him.

People will use a few artificial things and bring it in, yet the doe is off feeding and comes back and her fawn is gone, he said.

He has had bears, elk and deer sitting in his backyard waiting to be turned over to a game farm like the one at Bon Accord northeast of Edmonton.

They use a fawn in the spring and a bear cub in the fall. "I've never have a deer I have to turn over. It happens every year," he said.

Cubs seem cuddly but these long, sharp claws could cause serious injury, (photo by Phil Conterdell)

Opinions

Watch for those cyclists

The orange glow of sunset rapidly fades in the west as the driver of a vehicle saucers south around the slight curve in the road near H.W. Pickup Junior High School. He keeps close to the cars parked at the side of the road to leave more room for oncoming traffic.

With the light dimming the driver turns on his headlights. Looking down for a second he fails to see the rider of a bicycle, darkly clothed with no reflectors, travelling down the wrong side of the road.

Later, all the driver can remember is the sickening thud and the crunch of metal as the youngster crashes into the front of the car.

Drayton Valley was lucky last year. No family had to live through a similar situation like this, but it could happen if parents fail to teach their children the rules of the road and the respect any form of transportation deserves.

What parents have to do before that bicycle literally hits the road is make sure their children know how to operate their piece of machinery correctly and make sure it has all of the safety features in place, such as brakes, reflectors and headlights.

A bicycle, like a car or a truck, is a dangerous weapon in the hands of an inexperienced operator. A bicycle can be even more dangerous than a car because many people consider the level regarding road use for motor vehicles not bicycles.

The laws are there for a reason. Let's teach our children the rules of the road and moreover make sure they understand why you love them.

Bear cubs don't remain cuddly for long

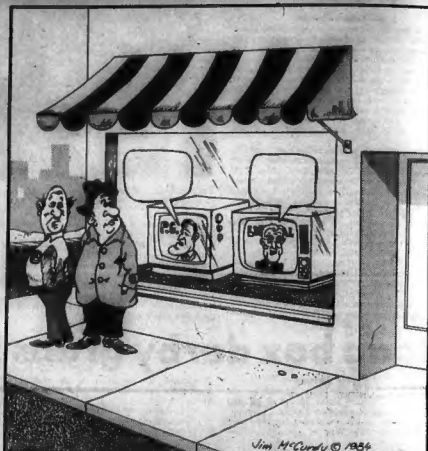
This week's front page story is one of those which drops in your lap once every couple of years. Everyone likes kids and animals and these little guys are still very much in the teddy bear stage.

But although they're 'cute' and the loggers who brought them in were careful about making sure they were actually abandoned people shouldn't get the idea that this is the 'thing to do'.

First of all, dealing with the young of any species is dangerous. Something happens to a mother when her offspring are in danger and she becomes senseless in her goal to defend them.

Anyone foolish, or unlucky enough to get between the mother and her offspring can find themselves in serious trouble.

While covering a story on grizzly bears in Swan Hills a couple of years ago I talked to a



"Let me know if either one says anything."

Editor's Notes

specialist on the animal for Fish and Wildlife. One of the things he pointed out was that people and bears don't mix.

And they don't have to be behemoths to do considerable harm; the most recent account of a bear killing a human was by a 90 kg black bear in Waterton Lakes National Park.

Even cubs become as troublesome as a bobcat when they reach 10 kg. He isn't the

only officer who talks about having difficulties with bear cubs.

And an local officer Don Onofrychuk points out the problem doesn't lie simply with bears. Well meaning people bring in all sorts of young animals which in many cases have been unwittingly appropriated from a mother absent for a short period of time.

What they have done is upset something Mother Nature has had in place for sons and also taken a serious risk.

Your Comment What do you think of the new nuisance bylaw?



James White
Drayton Valley
It looks terrible—it doesn't help the towns look any better. I think it's a good idea.



Mary Deason
Drayton Valley
I think it's a good idea with the purpose. It would help beautify Drayton Valley.



Miss Gushier
Drayton Valley
It's a good idea to clean the town up—there's lots of offenders—I can't name them all.

Margaret Rishberg
Drayton Valley
What they should do is clean up the downtown streets.

Perry Martin
Rocky Rapids
Most people do keep it clean—but they may need something like that to keep everybody in line.

Ace returns to roost



Ace's View
from the water tower

Outgosh, he's back you say. Damn right he's back. When things have deteriorated to the state they're in there's only one bird who can do the job. Unfortunately Daily Duck is busy right now, but since he and Ace struck up an acquaintanceship a number of years ago (there was this little chickadee—we both lost our heads and it took three weeks and an eagle to break up the brawl—we became friends later on he asked yours to get a handle on things. Of course you never got so respect in this business and nobody ever says anything about you until you're gone; then they complain about why you left. Well, Ace has heard that four people were killed when he took his little tumble off the water tower.

Multiply four by two and you get eight, according to the latest polling methods. What that means is that for every person who said something about Ace's absence there was another one who felt the same way. That's how we got the eight people who Ace is writing for.

If it had only been six, forget it. Ace would've kept the spurs on the shelf forever, but EIGHT is a number you can count on. So, here we are.

Well, how could he stay away when the rumour mill has that the real reason town council is looking bringing in that nuisance bylaw is to clean up the Wacky Service?

Now let's be clear about this, the boys and the new get over there need to be kept on their toes and Ace isn't sure that this new bylaw is such a bad idea. Their big time staff colleagues in the city had to run a front page apology just the other day.

You know that there was some heavy mustard in the air for somebody to make that kind of a

move. Those boys must have been talking about using everybody right down to the secretaries in the classified department to get the press hound's to come along. Ooh, is it.

So, here we are back in D.V., Alta. with eight folks out there who read this space. Ace has to admit that the prospect of a Liberal leadership convention and the upcoming election served to help him out of retirement.

What he means is that Brian Macdonald and John Turnoff are going to be the next best thing to Wayne and Gushier when it comes to boredom.

The size of us are going to have a grand time following them in their pursuit of that elusive little item called power.

You only have to look south to see what they're got in the States a senator who's been in the clouds and even way out in space and now wants to come down to earth and be president. Of course the present president is a professional actor, and that makes for stiff competition.

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Talent show attracts big name acts

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The varied musical acts ranged from folk, country, gospel to rock and roll.

One of the best performances was by the 21 year old duo of Carrot Creek, who sang

two sets for the audience. A self-contained 1974 Provelly fan, Hansen stunned the audience with a rendition of "You Great Thou Art, sounding much like the late Presley.

One of the reasons the youth club decided to put on the talent jam was a desire to get involved and show the community they could become an active part, said John Fowler, youth development coordinator.

The club plans to use part of the proceeds to fund club activities and some of the money will be given to a charity, he added.

To date the club has a total of 30 paid members. Anyone under the age of 21 is eligible to join, said Fowler.



Julia Mahaback (also Boy George) beats out Keran Chancelor while Christmas Number eleven

and Julia Hove beats eleven. (photos by Jack Morrison)



Leiter Haines sings.



Terri Reid practices before her performance with Angelina Reid, niece, watches.

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A tough Edson Stars defense and hot goaltender kept the Evansburg Fire Mites from a tournament win Sunday.

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Evansburg mites miss in final

After two decisive wins Saturday, the Evansburg Fire Mites met their match in the final of the mite hockey tournament in Drayton Valley.

The Edson Stars proved too much for the Fire Mites, handing them a 7-4 loss Sunday. Previously the Evansburg team dropped Waxman 14-0 and beat the Mayerthorpe Imperials as well.

D.V. Mites lost in their first game but managed a second win and a berth in the B side final. There the local mite B team met Whitecourt and lost 7-5.

D.V. Mites lost 9-5 to the Imperials then handed Waxman their second loss 10-0 Saturday.

In the A side final, the Stars took an early two-goal lead over the Fire Mites. Edson picked up from there and with a hot goaltender, stymied Evansburg the rest of the game.

Edson effectively cut off Evansburg from in front of the net through two periods. In the third the Fire Mites hit for three goals and looked to come back. Edson popped two goals past the Fire Mite netminder, cutting off the attack.

Whitecourt, tying the game at five in the third period. Similar to Edson, Whitecourt popped two late period goals and ended any upsets.



Judo competitor Todd Lindahl took a gold medal Saturday. (photo by Phil Courville)

Local club wins team competition

By Phil Courville
The Drayton Valley Judo Club came away as the surprise winners of the Northern Alberta Judo Championships at Grinlock Barracks in Edmonton Saturday.

Out of six clubs and 250 competitors, local judo members brought home eight medals, including two gold from the blue belt and under tournament.

Red Miyukin and Todd Lyndahl each earned gold medals in the middle and lightweight categories respectively. Mike Boehm, Terri Uelman, Cherry Whaling and Delaine Robinson took silver medals while Sonya Stank and Dave Swag earned bronze.

For instructor Don Fuka, the championship tournament was "interesting."

It was interesting because most of the fighters we took were beginners. Some were only in the club six to eight months, he said.

"I didn't feel they'd do well, but they were very impressive. They walked in there like naturals. They pulled it all together and did well."

"They went in and cleared a path and then went down it kind of thing," he said. "From their participation in practice, I didn't think they'd get through their first two fights. But they went in like naturals."

"We had one girl who been with us only four

Green arrows hold off Wildcat drive

The Green Arrows won the men's recreational hockey championship, defeating the Wildcats in two games Wednesday and Thursday. While the Arrows led through both games, they needed a late game surge to stave off a Wildcat drive and a possible come-from-behind win.

In both games, the Arrows led 5-1 in the third period when the Wildcats started their comeback. In the first game, the team simply ran out of time and lost 5-4.

In the second, a short-handed goal by Arrow Brent Harrison put the game out of reach with two minutes remaining. The Arrows won 6-4.

"It almost looked like we let up, but we didn't," Arrow team representative Glen Rimmer said. "Those guys, the Wildcat team, really poured it on. Put their heads down and worked hard."

In talking with the other players in the dressing room after, we agreed the team didn't let up," he added.

For the Arrows, the win caps a most successful season. The team finished tied with the Blackhaws at the end of the regular season with a 19-8 record (40 points) but scored one goal with a better win/loss record against the Blackhaws. In playoffs, the Arrows went undefeated, using the minimum number of games to win.

As well, the championship sees the team return from the league's basement, where it finished last season. The Arrows won the league championship the year before that.

The Wildcats also had a successful playoff season. Finishing in fourth place, the Wildcats lost their opening game to the fifth place Lacers 4-3 then rebounded with a 1-0 win in the second to take the two-game, total-point series.

The Wildcats then dumped second place Blackhaws 6-5 and then won 5-3 in overtime for a berth in the final series.

"We never lost them (Blackhaws) all year," Wildcat team representative Brian Hagman said. "We finished fourth place out of six teams so we ended up quite well. I'm quite happy with what we did."

months go against someone with eight or nine years experience. She just walked in and threw her like she didn't know what was coming," Fuka said.

The level of fighting was pretty good as well, the judo instructor said. A lot of mixed majority matches blue belts fighting white belts.

"We had a lot of white belts fighting blue and green belts and lost their own," he added.

What was even more interesting, Fuka said, was the Drayton Valley club is smaller than most and not as well equipped as some of the city clubs competing.

Some of the larger judo clubs have better conditions and more instructors including black belts who can work in groups of four or five.

"But I think a lot of clubs will be keeping us in the back of their minds now. We left our mark."

The next step is Alberta Junior Provincials and based on their performance last weekend and at the Alberta Winter Games in February, Fuka is hoping for another good showing.

"I'm looking for a couple of medals. Judging from what they did at the Alberta Winter Games, a couple of the girls are naturals. If they did it once they can do it again."

"I'm impressed and I'm proud of their production. If they stick with it we'll have some notable athletes."

26-mile marathon in Calgary

Teacher runs for pool fund

By Phil Courtville
When Rick Watrich runs in the annual Calgary Marathon May 24, he'll not only be running for himself, but for the Drayton Valley indoor swimming pool.

The local high school teacher has started taking pledges for the \$2 million pool as a fundraising effort for the pool.

Thus far, Watrich has collected some \$2,000 in pledges.

Running seriously since last May, he added the fundraising idea to his marathon plan several weeks ago. He approached the Town of Drayton Valley with the idea and received the support of recreation director Dennis Wesley.

"It's an initiative for completing my goal (finishing the marathon) so maybe it can help the town complete its goal," Watrich said.

"I find most people pretty positive towards the idea of the pool, so it was just a matter of getting in contact with the right people."

At present, Watrich has managed some 180 sponsors pledging more than \$200 a mile.

But before anything, the marathon is a personal challenge for Watrich.

I decided in January to run the marathon and then added the fundraising effort, he explained.

"I just want to complete the marathon. It'll probably take four hours and I'd like to finish in under four hours."

With barely nine weeks left before the run, Watrich is stepping up his training and may leave the fundraising in the hands of friends.

Running some 40 miles a week now he intends to increase the distance to 100 miles and eventually 150 miles as he heads back to 10 miles before the race.

While mileage is important, the physics teacher is more concerned with running time.

Watrich runs six days a week using a 75-45-75 minute format. Currently, he estimates he's averaging a nine-minute mile and ideally, he says, he'd like to run under eight minutes for each of the 26 miles.

He also estimates that by the time of the Calgary marathon, he'll have run more than 1,200 miles since he started last May.

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High school teacher Rick Watrich in training. (photo by Phil Courtville)

Boxers hit Lloydminster, Taber

Boxers from the Derrick Boxing Club travelled to Lloydminster and Taber for two separate cards last weekend, coming home with three wins.

WHO'S NEW

March 18—**PELKER**, Sandy, Drayton Valley, boy, 3000 grams, 8 lbs., 2 ozs.
March 19—**SYMON**, Dale and Carolyn, Drayton Valley, boy, 3640 grams, 7 lbs., 5 ozs.

March 20—**RISBERG**, Brian and Dorothy, Warburg, boy, 3270 grams, 8 lbs., 3 ozs.
March 30—**KETTEL**, Gene and Marlene, Drayton Valley, girl, 3630 grams, 7 lbs., 12 ozs.

March 22—**SAMIS**, Neil and Brenda, Drayton Valley, boy, 3600 grams, 8 lbs., 10 ozs.
The winner of this week's baby spoon is Mrs. Samis with her son weighing 3 pounds, 10 ounces. She may pick up her spoon at **Lloyd's Jewellery** Phone 542-5064 Drayton Valley, Alta.

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More to physical fitness than meets the eye

Physical fitness is not only a state of the body but a state of the mind.

That's part of the message fitness teacher Albert Spiering is trying to develop during her "spot" tests sponsored by the County of Parkland.

Using cardiovascular tests for heart rate and a pinch test for the percentage of body fat, Spiering tested two athletes (men) last week, one in Kamour and the other at Whistly Hall.

The intent of the testing, she says, is to give an individual a higher level of awareness of themselves and their body's condition.

Hopefully they gain awareness so they don't have to rely on their immediate perception of themselves as being too fat or too skinny, Spiering said Thursday at Whistly Hall.

"Hopefully they can find out what a healthy percentage of body fat is and gauge themselves against an average."

"We're so inundated with what it is to be thin and so susceptible to what the market says we should look like."

In her testing, Spiering measures body fat using fat calipers, taking measurements from different parts of the body.

"Different people store fat in different places," she said.

But the percentage of fat in a person's body may not be the sole cause of being overweight, Spiering adds.

It could be added muscle mass, especially if the person has been involved in a lot of muscle building activities.

Another reason for the tests is hopefully to get people away from stepping on the scale and saying, "Oh God I'm overweight." There are other reasons why a person might have put on weight.

The step-up or cardiovascular tests, using a three-tread platform which people "step up on" to music, are intended to show a person's volume of oxygen levels as compared with national averages.

Depending on the person's age, the step-up



Albert Spiering took blood pressure measurements as part of her fitness testing at Whistly Hall last weekend. (photo by Phil Courtville)

flexibility tests and then shows how each person rates individually on a national average.

The tests are also designed to help show where individuals stand in relation to their fitness and what could be done to help improve it.

Along with the fat and VO2 tests, Spiering usually administers grip, abdominal strength and

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Powerhouse offers suicide prevention seminar

Most people do not think about suicide but there are a few who have to think about it. These people are in a front line position: volunteer leaders in service groups, RCMP, doctors, nurses, emergency medical technicians, counsellors and clergy.

Talent show sees junior fiddle player

The 15-year-old northern Alberta junior champion fiddle player is one of the attractions at the Fourth Annual Duck Lake Talent Show March 28.

Organizer George Fontaine expects an even bigger crowd than last year, when over 200 people came to enjoy the music and show. "We had to

A two-day suicide prevention seminar has been organized by Powerhouse Further Education Council to help people in those positions recognize their attitude toward suicide, gain accurate knowledge and develop intervention skills, said Joan Duchet, co-ordinator.

borrow 50 chairs from the Drop-In Centre," he said.

So far 34 entrants have registered, including guitar players, accordion, fiddlers, piano, organ and four vocal numbers.

The show starts at 7 p.m. in the Duck Lake Hall and will be followed by free coffee and a dance at 8:30 p.m.

As well the course will delve into the facts and myths about suicide and suicide attempts as well as an assessment of the risk for suicide.

Instructor Pat Orrell, suicide and bereavement consultant, will teach the two-day course April 5 and 6. The cost of the course is \$60. Interested people must pre-register through Powerhouse, said Duchet.

Besides the two-day course an evening workshop is planned for Wednesday, April 6 from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Provincial Building.

The public workshop will discuss facts about suicide and how to intervene in a suicide attempt.

The course is offered to the public free of charge, said Duchet.

Seniors hold playoff

By Edith Norway

Seniors at the Drop-In Centre held a club playoff March 18. Playoff winners moved on to Manley.

Winners were 55 to 60 group, Joanne Bartlett, Iva Nicholson, Hilma Band, Curtis Fagerwald; 70 plus group, Bob Roy McGowan, Marshall Hatch, Harry Tweedie and Wally Schwab.

For Seniors

Winners at Manley for 55 to 60 group were

The Norways attended the same playoff for golden age bowling March 23. Floor curling is being held at the Drop-In Centre March 30 for Area 1.

Winners from Manley for 70 plus group were

Alvin Kline of Manley and Joan Hall of Delta Beach.



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Talk about your snacks at lunch—this Drayton Valley Community Kindergarten class was given a first hand look at the behind-the-scenes operation of Mary's Bakery. Kim Macdonald showed the children through his operation before they stopped by Bear's Meats and The Western Review for a snack visit. [photo by Stuart Adams]

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In 1981 the Board of Education published a Report Card inviting the public, and especially the parents of our students, to let us know how you felt about education in County public schools. Over 1400 replies were returned to us, and the results were summarized and published in the local weekly newspaper.

We again invite you to give us your views about significant school questions, whether or not you have children in the schools. Now about taking a few minutes to fill out a Report Card? Please send the completed form to your local public school, or Mr. Frank Croft, Director of the Education Support Office of Education, Edwards Building, 10025 - 111 Street, Edmonton, T3K 1E4, no later than April 10, 1984.

PLEASE FILL OUT ONLY ONE QUESTIONNAIRE PER FAMILY. Make that explicit of this survey one also being distributed through the schools.

- Are you a town or village resident? _____ or a rural resident? _____ (Check one)
- If you have a child or children attending County of Parkland public schools, check their present grade level(s):
 105 (discontinued) _____ Elementary (gr. 1-4) _____ Junior High (gr. 7-9) _____ Senior High (gr. 10-12) _____ Other _____

- Have any of your children attended schools in other school jurisdictions? Yes _____ No _____

- I feel welcome at the public school(s) during the day. Yes _____ No _____ Not Applicable _____
- I attend social functions or activities at the school(s). Yes _____ No _____ Not Applicable _____
- I am an active member of a school organization or on-going school project. Yes _____ No _____ Not applicable _____

- I have had personal contact with the teacher (or teachers) of my child (children) since the beginning of school year. Yes _____ No _____ Not Applicable _____
- I have helped the school(s) as a volunteer or helped since the beginning of the school year. Yes _____ No _____ Not Applicable _____

For the following questions, mark each answer with one check mark in the appropriate column.

- I have sufficient knowledge about the local public school(s).
 Sufficient Knowledge Yes No Don't Know Don't Know

- My best sources of information about the local school are:
 7.1 children
 7.2 newspapers
 7.3 school bulletin
 7.4 school staff
 7.5 school-sponsored meetings
 7.6 other members of the community
 7.7 other (Please specify) _____

- I would like to know more about these aspects of the school:
 8.1 curriculum
 8.2 evaluation of student progress
 8.3 policies (eg. discipline, supervision)
 8.4 extra-curricular activities (sports, clubs, concerts)
 8.5 other (Please specify) _____

- I feel I am being satisfactorily informed about my child's learning progress. Yes _____ No _____

- Before children could be improved by:
 10.1 increasing the amount of money spent on books and materials
 10.2 reducing the number of option programs available
 10.3 adding more specialist teachers, such as reading specialists and speech therapists

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	Yes	No	Don't Know	Yes	No	Don't Know	Yes	No	Don't Know
10.4 increasing the availability of computers in the classroom									
10.5 providing remote classes or locations away from the school eg. field trips									
10.6 assigning more homework									
10.7 lengthening the school day									
10.8 increasing the number of instructional days in the school year									
10.9 reducing the size of classes									
10.10 other (Please specify) _____									
11. Education costs continue to rise									
11.1 I believe these rising costs are justified.									
11.2 When the Board has to make cuts due to shortage of funds I would prefer that it be done by:									
11.2.1 increasing the number of students in each classroom									
11.2.2 delaying maintenance of older school buildings									
11.2.3 reducing the number of courses taught									
11.2.4 reducing transportation for such activities as band and inter-school athletics									
11.2.5 reducing classroom supplies and textbooks									
11.2.6 reducing special services such as speech therapy and hearing therapy									
11.2.7 reducing community use of schools									
11.2.8 restricting bus pick-up/drop-off to the mandatory minimum of 2.4 km (1 1/2 mi).									
11.2.9 reducing administrative personnel									
11.2.10 reducing the amount of custodial help									
11.2.11 increasing the number of classrooms containing two grades									
11.2.12 freezing further expansion of the classroom computer program									
11.2.13 maintaining salary increases									
11.2.14 other (Please specify) _____									
11.3 Educational revenues should be increased by:									
11.3.1 increasing fees for instructional materials, ie. textbook rentals									
11.3.2 increasing fund-raising efforts by individual schools									
11.3.3 raising the mill-rate									
11.3.4 charging for community use of schools									
11.3.5 introducing fees for daily use of school buses									
11.3.6 introducing fees for extra-curricular testing									
11.3.7 increasing energy conservation measures									
11.3.8 other (Please specify) _____									
12. Schools must deal with violent behaviour problems.									
I believe schools should:									
12.1 increase emphasis on developing self-discipline									
12.2 increase parent involvement in the problem									
12.3 have a responsibility for teaching moral values									
12.4 enforce stronger discipline measures									
12.5 place more emphasis on teaching students to cope with life's problems									
12.6 maintain guidance and counselling services									
12.7 other (Please specify) _____									

- The County of Parkland Board of Education is responsible for governing the County schools. I believe that the Board:

- 12.1 runs fairly wisely
- 12.2 responds to public needs
- 12.3 makes responsible decisions
- 12.4 adequately provides for student safety
- 12.5 should provide more adult education programs
- 12.6 members remain themselves sufficiently available to the public

- The school administrators in the County control efforts:

- 14.1 can be easily reached if I have a concern
- 14.2 readily listen when I have concerns
- 14.3 respond quickly to concerns of parents
- 14.4 make a satisfactory effort to keep in touch with the public
- 14.5 adequately inform the public about Board policies
- 14.6 adequately inform the public about developments in the school system
- 14.7 are managing the school system in an efficient manner
- 14.8 provide effective leadership

- These are my preferences about whether the County should introduce or expand, as the case may be, the following courses or programs. (In this question, you may place an X in any column marked in each row as you wish.)

- | | Primary (Gr. 1-4) | Lower (Gr. 5-6) | Jr. High (Gr. 7-9) | Sen. High (Gr. 10-12) | Other |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 15.1 family life education, excluding human sexuality | | | | | |
| 15.2 family life education, including human sexuality | | | | | |
| 15.3 drug, alcohol, and tobacco education | | | | | |
| 15.4 program for gifted students | | | | | |
| 15.5 computer education | | | | | |
| 15.6 French instruction | | | | | |
| 15.7 second languages other than French | | | | | |
| 15.8 cultural productions by professional groups | | | | | |
| 15.9 driver education | | | | | |
| 15.10 outdoor education | | | | | |
| 15.11 preparation for trades | | | | | |
| 15.12 career planning | | | | | |
| 15.13 other (Please specify) _____ | | | | | |

Students are often given the grades A, B, C, D and F to indicate the quality of their work. Suppose the County public schools themselves, in this community, were marked in the same way. What grade would you give the public schools here? (Circle one letter in each row.)

Elementary	A	B	C	D	F
Junior High	A	B	C	D	F
Senior High	A	B	C	D	F
All Public Schools	A	B	C	D	F

Funding for student program given boost

The government of Alberta recommended March 28 the allocation of \$50 million for the 1984 Summer Temporary Employment Program (STEP). Funding for this year's program is almost \$6 million more than was allocated in 1983, representing a 96 per cent increase.

The program, which is in its 12th year of operation, will run from April 30 until Sept. 1 and is expected to provide approximately 9,000 jobs. In outlining the details of the 1984 Summer Temporary Employment Program, Ernie Lohy, minister of Alberta Manpower, said, "Young people with little work experience and other prospective employers, are finding it particularly difficult in this climate to secure employment."

STEP provides employment through four elements. Under the provincial government department element, approximately 5,000 young Albertans will find jobs designed to emphasize individual career development with the 37 government departments. Employees will be paid \$5.50 per hour.

The community employment element will provide an estimated 1,000 young people with work experience. Eligible sponsors include municipalities, school boards, agricultural associations and non-profit organizations. The government will reimburse these employers the minimum wage of \$5.50 per hour. However, employers have the option and are encouraged to pay additional wages.

The summer intern employment element will provide an estimated 1,000 jobs for Albertans. Participating farmers will receive up to \$100 for each position per month.

Under the career opportunity element, 400 young people will receive career related work experience in four areas: Recreation, veterinary, law enforcement and fish and wildlife.

Recreation and veterinary positions will be cost shared equally with the government reimbursing employers up to \$200 per month.

Employees in law enforcement and fish and wildlife will receive \$5.50 per hour.

Crown corporations to be revised

By S.A. (Bud) Olson, PC MP
The federal government has introduced legislation designed to create a better management system for all Crown corporations. The bill sets out six major objectives for bringing the more than 200 federal Crown corporations under tighter political control. It goes a long way toward responding to concerns about the lack of accountability to Parliament.

Parliament, not the federal cabinet, would be required to approve the creation, mandate and financing of parent Crown corporations.

Parliament would have to be apprised of the objectives of the Crown corporations as established in annually filed, cabinet-approved corporate plans.

Parliament will be provided with an annual plan so it can judge whether Crown corporations have met their stated objectives for each planning period.

The government would have to approve

annual corporate plans, operating and capital budgets and minimum.

Annual audits would be carried out according to standards more rigorous than those normally applied to private sector corporations.

Directors would have much more clearly-stated responsibilities than is currently the situation.

This bill marks the first major overhaul of Crown Corporation legislation since 1981. As well, the House is now proceeding with second reading of Bill C-31, Borrowing Authority Act, 1984-85. This legislation will provide the government with the authority to borrow new money required to meet the projected deficit. Of this amount, \$4 billion is a contingency that may be carried out beyond March 31, 1984.

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Cattlemen advised to vaccinate

Cattlemen who have not vaccinated their breeding herds against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis, also called IBR and red nose and calicivirus, have not vaccinated their breeding herds for several years, are advised to contact their veterinarian regarding general vaccination recommendations and information on long-term vaccination programs.

Dr. G.A. Chalmers of Alberta Agriculture's regional veterinary laboratory in Lethbridge points out that the potentially devastating effects of the IBR vaccine can be prevented in beef breeders by vaccination. He also points out that there are two types of vaccines on the market, both of which contain live viruses.

The injectable type is given intramuscularly and can only be given during the period between

calfing and re-breeding. Chalmers stresses that the injectable vaccine must never be given to a pregnant cow because it is capable of causing abortion. The other vaccine is an intranasal type and can be given at any time but best pregnant and non-pregnant cows.

IBR is caused by a virus that attacks the upper respiratory tract (nasal passages and trachea) of cattle. In healthy cattle it causes fever, a harsh cough, severe reddening of the nostrils, a watery discharge from the nose and eyes and lack of appetite. However, in brood cows there are usually few, if any, of these signs. The first indication of trouble usually comes when the calves start to abort their calves.

According to Chalmers, abortions are most common in unvaccinated cattle than are from the

eight months pregnant and the abortions start occurring a few weeks after the animals have calving.

He says the past history of IBR in Alberta indicates that it can cause a high level of abortion when the IBR virus is an intranasal type and is given to a pregnant cow. He also says that there have been reports from some areas in North America of brood cows, which had been vaccinated, aborting their calves three or more years later. It is because of these reports that it is felt it may be necessary, in some cases, to vaccinate brood cows every two years.

No problem between forces

County police don't have a public relations problem with the local RCMP, although sometimes individual problems do occur, says Chief Bill Price.

In response to a question from county councillor Ron Pollock at a meeting Tuesday, Price said "I'm totally unaware of any problem between the two forces."

Pollock told Price the public perceives a lack of co-operation between the two police forces.

"We are little bit behind in this — generally the two forces should be able to work together," Pollock said.

Often the public sees the two forces adopt an "I'm better than you" attitude, Pollock added.

"I'm worried about the public perception," he said.

Price admitted derogatory comments are sometimes made about either of the forces by individual RCMP or county officers.

"There has been pettiness and that pettiness has got to stop," Price explained.

He added the two forces have to be more supportive of each other.

"I think it's just a matter of people getting down to work and being co-operative," he said.

Member of the police commission, Irvin Scheldeman, said most of the problems arise from a difference of opinion.

The county police and the RCMP have been working much better together over the last year, said Scheldeman, who credited Price with helping to raise the level of co-operation.

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"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may KNOW that ye have ETERNAL LIFE, and that ye may continue to believe on the name of the Son of God" (1 John 5:13)

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Talent show slated for March 21

By LeOnd Lareau
288-2122

Without and Goldie Anderson recently took a trip to Canoe Hot Springs, Montana.

They also stayed at Cranbrook, B.C., and took Goldie's sister Pamela Ramsey with them.

The Andersons also visited Willard's sisters and family at Lethbridge and Myrtle and family at Lethbridge.

Bert Hovde won Junior high at the card party held March 16 and Albert Kananen won Junior low. Roy Parker received the highest grade score and Peter Elm the lowest.

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hall Saturday, March 21 at 7 p.m. More information may be obtained by calling 288-2122.

Lawrence and Betty Baskings recently visited their daughter Frances and Don Molyneux and children at Grande Prairie, as well as Richard and Norma Baskings.

The blago of March 28 was well attended with Billie Jordan, Linda Gots, Susan Anderson, Annie Mackintosh, Bob McLeod, Drills Grotty, Bob Alcott, Ben Arceat, Jim Foshen, Maria Gots and Greg Jordan the second.

Albert Anderson is the Monthly Manager of the Monthly General Annual General Meeting. He is also the Vice President of the Canadian Chapter of Rights and Freedoms. Information call 421-3005 (Edmonton).

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Mackintosh each winning \$5.

Two and three-way splits went to Rick Jordan, Roy Parker and Hancha Johnson; LA Lovett and Evelyn Wilson; Roy Parker, Drills Grotty and Susan Anderson; and Ben Arceat, Roy Parker and Audrey Carruthers.

Maria Gots was the first \$5 share-the-week prize and Billie Jordan the second.

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Richard and Adeline Doyle will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in April.

Ruby Woods flew to Surrey, B.C., to visit her sister Barbara Scott. She returned by bus so that she could stay off of Sunday and see Helen Eckhard and Barbara Damsel. In Calgary she stayed for a day with her friend Richard Scott.

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Accounting important in management

An accountant is an extremely important member of any firm management team. Although accountants are most often used to prepare income tax returns, in the opinion of Ron Cuthbert of Alberta Agriprocessors' farm business management branch, this should not be the only time they are used nor is it the most important use of them.

Cuthbert points out that an accountant can be the communication centre for financial information that is needed by the farm manager, his banker, lawyer and other advisors.

The second most commonly perceived role of an accountant is that of a bookkeeper. Even though the maintenance of a set of good records is

vital to the operation and control of any business, it is still a specialized function and, as such, removes the role of an accountant.

Cuthbert thinks that as a member of a farm management team, an accountant should have a much broader role. He should, for example, understand the integration of such functional areas of the business as accounting, production and marketing.

A competent accountant can help a farm manager to obtain the information he needs to compare actual production results from his various enterprises with those that were projected. He can help the manager to prepare financial

statements for credit institutions and he can help him to prepare legal documents for an estate transfer and other business transactions.

He can also help the manager to obtain the information he needs to project his future business operations and any changes he may wish to make in his production plans to better achieve his short and long-term goals.

Cuthbert says when an accountant has been fully informed on these decisions, he should be able to obtain the information required. Hence, pre-planning is extremely important if the information collected and paid for is to be information that is pertinent to the decisions that have to be made.

Alder Flats seniors receive grant

A grant of \$5,144 has been awarded to a senior citizens' organization in Alder Flats under the federal government's New Horizons program, announced March 21 by Health and Welfare Minister Margaret Thatcher.

The Western Provinces Senior Citizens' Association of Alder Flats will use the grant to expand its activities program. In addition to music, card bowling and pool, the program will include shuffleboard, floor curling and pool.

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Fly tying pastime catches fish

By Frankie Thorndall

Russell Davis hardly ever walks by a feather without picking it up to add to his collection. Even though he has about 500 flies on hand, he's always looking for new materials to build with.

Fly tying is "more or less a pastime" for Davis, who spends many summer days fishing with his wife Dorothy. He uses feathers of all colors and textures, deer hair, bear hair, heads, different colored thread and spunky material to lure the trout to the hook.

He takes his portable fly tying kit with him fishing in order to build new flies if the fish aren't biting anything he's brought.

"I'm an avid fisherman," Davis claimed, but added "I get my limit up at Carman in about half an hour." He mentioned that thanks to the possibility of positioning his boat in the right spot, "if you're lucky you get right over the spot where the fish congregates."

The eye catches red, green and blue flies are "made to catch fishermen, not fish," Davis said. The plain little black ones are more likely to catch a trout. One of Davis' good buddies also ties flies, but not very well. He still catches fish, Davis said, because after all, "there's always got to be some crippled flies out there—that's why they're floating on the water."

Deer hair is used because it's the only hair that's hollow and floats. Dry flies are used for casting and wet flies, which don't have wings, are used for trolling. They resemble nymphs or baby flies. During mating season Davis attaches two flies together to make what he calls a double shrimp.

Body-building is the first step in fly tying. Davis secures the fish hook into a small clamp and wraps thread around the hook. He then lays a few fine strands of porcupine feather along the hook and secures them with more thread. This creates a fuzzy look surprisingly similar to a fly's body. A small piece of brown and white spunky feather is added to complete the body, which is now ready for backing.

Not just any feather can be used for hackles—pheasant and game bird are the best. One end of the feather is attached to the fly's body with thread and then the feather itself is wound around and around the length of the body, causing the tiny strands of feather to radiate gracefully out.

Davis winds the thread around the end of the feather and ties it off with three half hitches. To secure the thread won't unravel, he puts a drop of head cement on its end and the fly is complete. The whole procedure, which looks maddeningly finicky, has taken Davis just a couple of minutes. "The bughten ones untread," he said, as usually after catching one fish they're no good. One of Davis' flies, however, sometimes catches many fish.

The 70-year-old isn't as active as he used to be but he still goes out into the bush with his two sons. While they go for a hike with a Walrus-talkie, he sits in the truck and communicates with them through the CB radio. "It's just the same as if I'm alone," he said. "If they see some sheep, they report it to me."

He no longer stands in the river to fish in case he gets swept away but he'll cast from the shore or take a boat on to Carman Lake. He also paints and carves animals into wood and Dorothy paints animals and mammals scenes in oils.

"We've always got something to do," he said.



Russell Davis wraps thread around a fish hook to form the fly's body. [photo by Frankie Thorndall]



A sampling of Davis' flies.

[photo by Jack Morrison]

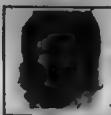
Singles save money with shopping know-how

By Janice McGregor
642-5388

If you live alone, you probably have problems when shopping for food. You try to buy economically but also want a variety of foods that are convenient and easily prepared and these are usually higher priced. If you see a bargain and buy more than you can use for one or two meals, you risk wasting food or having the same menu items meals day after day.

Learn how to get the most from your money by developing shopping know-how. You can improve your eating habits while reducing costs that give the most nutrition for the money.

Keep a list of foods you buy most often and jot down the prices each week. Try to find a lower priced item next time you shop. It may be another



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also package, another brand or a frozen or canned vegetable you can substitute for fresh. There may be a special on an item that you can store easily, so you can stock up on it.

Meals should be planned ahead of time. Be sure to include the recommended number of

servings from each of the four groups. Planning helps you shop for economy and convenience and ensures variety in the diet.

Proteins, proteins, food groups and different forms of the same food will help save money at the grocery checkout. Labels and ingredients lists will give an indication of the contents and amounts of fat, salt and sugars present in the foods. This is especially important if you have to watch your weight or have a health concern.

Best before dates on foods indicate the date by which the food should be used for best quality, as long as it is stored properly.

If you are tempted to snack, rather than plan well balanced meals, it can lead to a diet high in calories and low in nutrients. But sometimes it hardly seems worthwhile to go to all the trouble of fixing meals for one or two.

For many single cooks, the thought of eating alone is not pleasant and loneliness often becomes something to battle as quickly as possible.

There are all sorts of interesting ways to brighten the appetite. Choose your finest dishes, use candles and napkins. Try a menu theme for the table. Pick out a special food or ethnic recipe to try. Plan a meal for a friend and treat yourself to an occasional meat feast.

Hiring changes

Transportation has implemented policy changes regarding the hiring of gravel trucks for Alberta Transportation construction contracts.

The changes were announced March 17 by Transportation Minister Martin Moore in addressing the annual meeting of the Alberta Gravel Truckers' Association.

Contracts advertised after March 17 will contain the new policy which includes the following: All road construction contracts for Alberta Transportation will utilize independently owned trucks for all gravel and asphalt hauls with the exception that a maximum of three trucks may be owned

by the contractor. No more than three trucks, owned by any one owner, will be permitted to work on a project. Fifty per cent of the trucks must be hired from the local area defined under the local hiring clause in the contract and the remaining trucks may be hired from any where in the province.



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The said past managers may have had difficulties with the stallholders, but "I've had no problems - I just born them in a good-bourne way." Most of the stalls familiar to patrons will be back again this year, including houseplants from Lofert, custom-made wooden name signs and oil paintings on saw blades from Millet, or liquid embroidery by Lita. Knitting, sewing, crocheting, quilting and dollmaking are other featured crafts.

Marchel also expects to see dried flower arrangements made of either silk or bark and some china, petit point jewelry and large fuzzy puppets. Something new this year will be decorated bath-

day and Easter cakes, as well as homemade chomosomes. The British Columbia fruit truck will be there opening day offering fresh fruit as it moves west.

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Ted Dye rink wins first event in bonspiel

By Karel Havel
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Thirty-two rinks were entered in the bonspiel held last weekend with the Ted Dye rink taking the first event.

In event the Havel rink was victorious over the McDougall rink.

The Grand rink came out first in the C event. Vic Budzinski spent a few weeks in Yukonville helping his son with some carpenter work.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lemishka had her cousin from Elk Point visiting for the weekend. They participated in the curling bonspiel.

All Vankovsky is a patient in the Drayton Valley Hospital.

The Chap Lake Historical Society held a meeting Tuesday in the Whitford Library. They are in need of family history.

The ladies of the Royal Purple had a successful tea and bake sale Saturday in the Whitford Legion Hall. Proceeds will go to the Deal Detection 95/94 program.

Visiting recently at the Winfield home were Brian and Peggy Anderson of Elk Point and Grace Rammer of Edmonton.

The Whitford Farmers' Easter Market will be held in the Whitford Community Hall Friday, April 19 at 11 a.m.

Tickets for the May 4 Emerald dance will be on sale soon.

Library magazines cover many topics

By Lois Peterson
325-8868

The library offers a choice of 120 periodicals to enjoy—for the small cost of a library membership. The library has increased its periodical collection by 200 per cent.

Drayton Valley Municipal Library has magazines covering a wide range of topics and interests for all ages. Loan period is one week and they are signed out like a book.

Anyone interested in computers and computer technology, hardware and software and programming should watch for the following new periodicals on order and now beginning to arrive:

Intelligence: Computer Newsletter; Access: Microcomputers in Libraries; Computing News

Chosen from entries to the library's job bag, the following writers win library booster buttons: Sandra Lee, age 18: What is the best month to have a period? Is March?

Yvonne Burton, age 11: Why did the robber take a bath? He wanted a clean get-away! Why didn't the robber take a bath? He wanted to do a dirty dance.

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Skate-A-Thon raises money for minor hockey

The Annual Skate-A-Thon, sponsored by the Pembina Hockey Association, was held March 19 at the Evansburg Arena. Twenty-four skaters ranging from preschool to adults participated in this fund raising event.

When all the pledges have been collected, a total of \$2,061 will have been raised for the Minor Hockey League. The proceeds from the Skate-A-Thon will go toward the operation of the Minor Hockey League, such as paying for referees and awards night, said President Bob Wilkins.

The Able family, when all their pledges are collected, will have raised a total of \$888 for minor hockey.

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Evansburg News

Liz Lawer
727-3872

provided by the Yellowhead School Division.

Duane Tuttle and Karl Pryjowski are Mr. and Mrs. Irresistible at Grand Trunk High School.

Boys were purchased for 10 cents each by students and staff and the boys were given set March 21 to the person of the opposite sex who the giver thought was the most irresistible person in school.

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end of the day were declared winners. Duane and Karl both received an engraved trophy.

The winner of the CWL raffle on an album was Agnes Spiller.

A workbook was held March 30 at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church to make banners for the forthcoming Papal visit.

The symbols for the banners were designed by Laverne Peters, a parishioner and also an art teacher at Grand Trunk High School.

The banners when finished will be on display at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church before they will be sent to Edmonton, to decorate the Papal route.

Figure skaters from all parts of Alberta converged at Lethbridge March 9 and 10 to take part in the B sectional Winterwater competition. In the men's juvenile competition Evansburg skater Guy Taylor beat out the gold medalist of the Alberta Winter Games to take first place in both figure and freestyle.

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By John German

The Canadian Petroleum Industry is beginning to recognize its heritage by perpetuating the names of the men and women who built it.

It's an industry which is barely three generations old and has probably neglected its history because of all the energy and effort went into getting established.

Recently the Alberta Oil Sands and Research Authority—AOSTRA, an agency which fosters research in the oil sands and heavy oil, announced a distinguished service award to be presented to individuals making important contributions to oil sands development.

The distinguished service award is named in

Dr. Clark's hot water process, which separates grains of sand from oil, is still used in the world's two largest oil sands plants—the Suncor and Syncrude plants in northern Alberta.

Clark was one of the founders of the Alberta Research Council which patented Dr. Clark's milestone oil sands process.

The hot water flotation process, as it is called, is a relatively simple process: Raw oil sands are mixed with hot water and caustic. This causes the bitumens (oil) to rise to the surface as a froth, where it is skimmed off.

Clark spent more than 40 years perfecting the process, working with different combinations of chemicals, water temperatures and agitating processes.

Much of his work was done at pilot projects near Fort McHenry, and in providing assistance to early investors attempting to apply the process to commercial size plants.

When Clark retired from the research committee in the mid 1980s, he was retained as a consultant by the Sun Oil Company to help develop what is now Sunoco, the first large scale oil sands plant.

Unfortunately he did not see his life's work reach fruition. He died in December, 1998, seven months before the Sunco plant began production.

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Soil micronutrients not advised

It seems that Alberta farmers who apply micronutrient fertilizers to their fields this spring may be wasting time and money.

Alberta Agriculture's soil fertility specialist at Lethbridge, Ron McKenna, does not advise the use of micronutrient fertilizers even if extensive soil testing results have indicated that they are needed.

He feels that soil test results are not accurate enough at the present time to predict when a micronutrient fertilizer is required. And he points out that most of the micronutrients (iron, boron, copper, zinc, manganese, molybdenum and cobalt) that are required by plants are present in Alberta soils in adequate amounts.

Testing the timeliness of plants grown in the soil in question is a better way of determining the level of micronutrients. McKenna says it is a more reliable guide at this time than soil testing.

When Alberta Agriculture's soil branch staff analyzed soil samples taken from 95 fields in southern Alberta in 1982, they found, for example,

that about a third of the samples were low in at least one micronutrient. However, when they analyzed the timeliness of the plants that had been grown in that soil, they found no micronutrient deficiencies.

Last year McKenna set out irrigated plots of soil with wheat, barley, durum wheat, alfalfa, dry peas, dry beans and grain corn as well as dryland barley across southern Alberta and fertilized them with high rates of nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium and sulphur.

When he added a micronutrient fertilizer, he found no evidence of an increase in yields, except in some cases of the beans.

This crop appears to benefit in a cost, not spring from a soil fertilizer when the beans are planted, as land that has little or no topsoil and which has been fertilized with a high level of phosphorus fertilizer.

McKenna says the above trials were carried out on soils that had varying levels of micronutrients and that no yield increases were obtained from the use of either soil or foliar-applied micronutrient fertilizers in the case of soils which had minimal levels in some soil tests.

However, an analysis of the timeliness of the plants grown in the plots showed higher levels of micronutrients than those in the soil. Thus, the plants had taken up the additional micronutrients but there was no yield or quality response.

According to McKenna, there is no evidence either that dryland crops in southern Alberta respond to applications of micronutrient fertilizers.

He suggests that farmers who are advised to use micronutrient fertilizers could apply them to test strips in their fields and compare the results with those which they obtain from their normal applications of nitrogen and phosphorus.

Micronutrient fertilizer trials will be conducted again this year on both irrigated and dryland crops at about 25 sites in southern Alberta.

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Be kind and escape into fantasy

The moon is in fourth quarter so the night is dark. The moon is in the air signs of Aquarius as well as thick clouds of modernization, intervention and all things novel and different.

Humans and humanism feelings about surface. Be kind.

March 28 to 31 will find us in the water sign of Pisces the fish. The moon is at upper-lit in the first quarter from the earth March 28.

March is ruled by the planet of Neptune which controls emotions, pleasure, provocation, spirit, wit, experience, reason and table-toppling and divination of any sort. Believe that lunacy and trust your feelings.

This is the complete sign so escape into the world of fantasy. Read, go to movies or dream. When daytime or sunrise.

Wine and salt letters but be aware of the vegetation and description of this sign and write to someone rather than to invent or seek out information.

Politicians looking for a sign should call press conferences under this sign.

April Fool's Day seems at new moon. The moon has moved into Aries, the adventurous sign, which rules the head.

April Fool's tricks will be of the heady sort. Aries is ruled by Mars which favors stunting and games of all sorts.

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by Joanne Bangor

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April 3 to 5 we will be in first quarter and in the solid earth sign of Taurus. They indicate very good values.

Surprisingly this solid down-to-earth sign is controlled by the planet of Venus, which just goes to show that solid dirt contains life—a fact all farmers know well.

Venus controls pleasure of all kinds as well

as peace-making, healing and forgiving. Appear to be rational.

With peace-making and forgiving, remember you have to give a little to get a lot. Under Taurus stability is key.

When lucky week is 8? September is the busiest sign with fortunate birthdays falling between Dec. 17 and 23 until April 1 and between Nov. 23 and 29 the remainder of the week. The lucky number to remember is eight.

Important days this week
March 28, 1984 was an important day for on that date the pencil with an arrow at the end was patented.

April 1 is April Fool's Day and it has been said that only a bold man dares to begin an enterprise on April Fool's Day. To get married on this date ensures that the couple will be joined at the ears as they go by.

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Lougheed government under fire

By Geoff White and Sheila Pratt
Globe-trotting Premier Peter Lougheed promised Albertans he'd tear the province in the coming months to quell rumblings of discontent in Conservative ranks.

Lougheed denies his extensive travel in the past year is a mere ploy with party faithful. But he admitted to him to balance the international tour with a few more appearances on the home front.

So far, Lougheed has spent most of 1984 outside the province with a three-month vacation in Hawaii followed by a 19-day tour to Yugoslavia for the Winter Olympics. The trip included a weekend skiing in Switzerland, a meeting with British

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and three days in New York.

The previous year also saw Lougheed on the move with the extensive trip to China and the Far East, Washington, New York and Toronto, travel Lougheed says is necessary to protect world markets for Alberta goods.

But Lougheed admits his government's popularity has slipped to a low point and a tear of the province is necessary to boost support.

Current anti-government feeling is normal for the two years after an election, said Lougheed.

Lougheed insists the government's dip in popularity is not as drastic now as it was in the

spring of 1982, six months before the fall election which delivered him another mandating victory.

But the government has clearly taken a beating from a number of recent losses, starting with the 12 per cent increase in personal income tax announced last fall.

Anger at the government also exploded over the Dalt Affair when Attorney General Neil Crawford fired a Crown prosecutor for revealing a high-ranking trial he was involved in a criminal investigation into bankrupcy.

George de Ruyter, deputy minister to the provincial cabinet, was deemed of any possible wrongdoing at the end of the investigation. But Lougheed admits the image of his government is tarnished by the publicity surrounding de Ruyter's involvement in the Dalt probe.

The Dalt affair came on the heels of the resignation of former solicitor general Graham Herlihy who admitted to being found by police in the company of a prostitute last fall.

Lougheed said the party has been doing regular polling to assess its drop in the polls but he declined to discuss the results. People aren't unhappy but are asking questions on a "need to know" basis, said Lougheed.

But just how deep the rumblings of discontent go will be better known after the Conservative party annual meeting in Calgary March 30. It's the first time party faithful got a shot at their generals since the 1982 election.

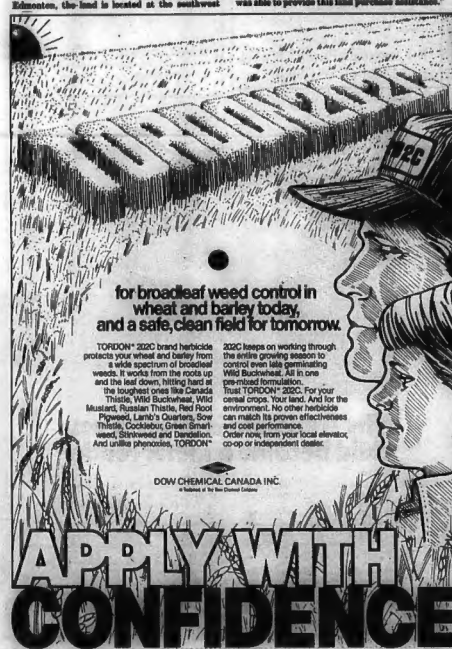
Province donates land to housing

Larry Shabon, minister of Housing and David Russell, minister of Hospitals and Medical Care, announced March 18 the Alberta government's \$440,000 commitment to the Society for Children's Oncology Family Services of Northern Alberta and the Southern Alberta Pediatric Hospital Society toward the construction of Ronald McDonald House in Edmonton and Calgary.

The commitment by the province is in the form of a transfer of land to the societies for \$1. In Edmonton, the land is located at the southwest

corner of 70 Avenue and 107 Street, minutes from the W.W. Cross Cancer Institute and the University Hospital, in Calgary, the site is located at 1905 - 50 St., S.W., near the Southern Alberta Children's Hospital.

"Normally the housing ministry is unable to become actively involved with non-profit groups outside of our senior citizens' projects," said Shabon. "However, in the case of the Calgary and Edmonton societies, we had sites which were ideally located for their programs so the province was able to provide this land purchase assistance."



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Landowner says landfill damaging property

By David Hedley
Overruling the complaints of neighbors, the Lower county development appeal board allowed an expansion of a modified landfill site at St. Francis.

Edmonton Power asked for the expansion to accommodate domestic and construction garbage from the Genesee power project.

Without the expansion, the landfill will reach capacity in about 10 years, Edmonton Power officials told a DAB hearing Thursday.

But Linda Oluk, owner of Limestone Ranches, said enlarging the landfill would only magnify the damage caused by her adjoining property by the dump operation.

Displaying an aerial photograph to DAB members, she said the ranch developed from a small homestead to a large operation in recent years.

Oluk said garbage blown from the dump to lodge in trees, animal carcasses are left to rot, runs are illegally discharged and people ignore posted regulations by starting fires.

Oluk said the dump caused only a few problems when it served 10 or 15 families but will generate more traffic and problems if allowed to expand from 10 acres to 30, as suggested by Edmonton Power.

The amount of land owned by Edmonton Power is the county's reason to give the utility company freedom to do whatever it wishes, she complained.

It sounds like by the virtue of their site, they're bullying the little taxpayer who doesn't pay as much as the big one.

Oluk said she wondered how Edmonton Power decided to seek an expansion of the existing landfill, when the company could easily accommodate the site elsewhere on its land holdings.

Questioned by Oluk's lawyer, Merritt Poyer,

Edmonton Power officials admitted they had not examined other sites for the landfill.

But starting a new landfill from scratch would be considerably more costly, said Maria Sheeh, lawyer for Edmonton Power.

In addition, provincial regulations don't allow landfills to be situated above one means about to be mined, effectively ruling out most of Edmonton Power's property, Sheeh added.

Sheeh said neighbors can expect one truckload of garbage per day from the Genesee power project during peak construction.

Genesee project manager Al Pettison said a leachate will be constructed at another site to handle sewage and industrial waste. The only garbage intended for the St. Francis landfill is normal domestic waste, chunks of concrete and construction and demolition garbage, he said.

Responding to complaints of "bullying," lawyer Sheeh denied Edmonton Power was threatening anyone, but is only making a service available to every taxpayer. Approval to use the existing landfill has already been granted, she noted.

County development officer Ken Pishinski offered a different view of the state of the present landfill.

He said the site operates efficiently compared to other landfills in the area. Compared to the county's only other unopened landfill at Frank Creek, "I think it's 100 per cent," he said. Eleven of the county's 18 landfills are unopened.

Pishinski said problems cited by Oluk might be alleviated by improving security, a suggestion which the DAB later included in its approval of the permit. The site is to be monitored by the county.

A second condition for approval was that a 100-foot buffer be provided along the south boundary of the expanded portion of the landfill.

Reasons for the approval include the present site being well maintained; the expansion appears to cause no extra effect; the landfill will continue operating even without the expansion; a buffer will isolate the landfill and screen it from passers-by.

In another decision Friday, county council gave instructions to place a no-burning sign next to the landfill pit, complaining the sign already posted near the entrance.

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He also said that long-term agreements and traditional customs have provided a good base for Canadian exports. He believes quotas will be high for durum, winter and soft white spring wheat by July 31.

And he said "For red spring wheat, it looks like there will be an increase in the carry-over of No. 1 and No. 2 CW wheat and quotas may be fairly tight. The quota situation for lower grades of red spring wheat will be better, however."

Olsson expects that world wheat trade in 1984-85 will, for the fourth consecutive year, be in the 100 million tonne range.

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